



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No 02-763-B (400/129))

In the Application of:

McSwiggen *et al.*

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For: RNA Interference Mediated Inhibition  
Of Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Gene  
Expression Using Short Interfering  
Nucleic Acid (siNA)

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) Group Art Unit: 1635

) Confirmation No. 8658

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f)**

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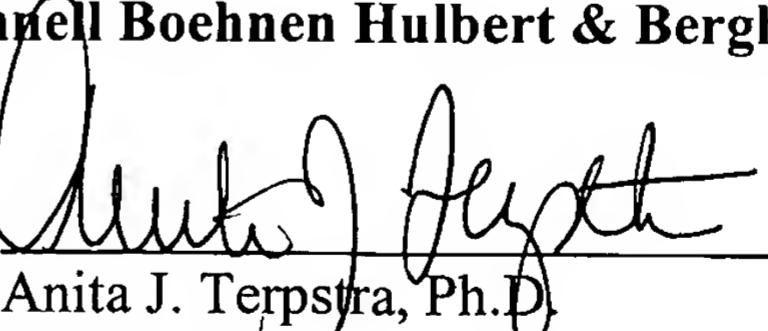
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Respectfully submitted,

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